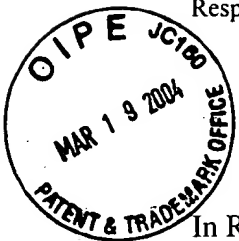


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This is in response to the Requirement for Restriction mailed February 19, 2004, in which the Examiner required restriction between two groups of claims:

- (I) claims 1-27 and 34-40, drawn to a method for producing a transducer slider; and
- (II) claims 28-33, drawn to a transducer slider.

In response, applicants elect Group 1, claims 1-27 and 34-40, without traverse.

Applicants expressly reserve their right under 35 USC § 121 to file a divisional application directed to the nonelected subject matter during the pendency of this application.

Additionally, please note that the Attorney Docket Number has changed for the above-captioned application from 5075-0028 to SJ09-2000-0158. Applicants hereby request that the attorney docket number be updated in the PTO records to correctly reflect the Attorney Docket Number SJ09-2000-0158.

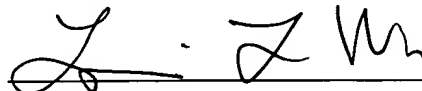
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If the Examiner has any questions concerning this communication, or would like to discuss the application, the art, or other pertinent matters, he is welcome to contact the undersigned attorney at (650) 330-0900.

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